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The Holiday Musical You Have Been Dreaming Of!

Irving Berlin's White Christmas

COLORADO SPRINGS (Nov 3, 2015) — The Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center (FAC) presents Irving Berlin's *White Christmas* Dec 10 through Jan 3, 2016. Based on the beloved, timeless film, this heartwarming musical adaptation features seventeen Irving Berlin songs.

Veterans Bob Wallace and Phil Davis have a successful song-and-dance act after World War II. With romance in mind, the two follow a duo of beautiful singing sisters en route to their Christmas show at a Vermont lodge, which just happens to be owned by Bob and Phil's former army commander. The dazzling score features well known standards including *Blue Skies*, *I Love A Piano*, *How Deep Is the Ocean* and the perennial favorite, *White Christmas*.

Directed and choreographed by Nathan Halvorson & Mary Ripper Baker, the company features NYC-based actor Matt Gibson (FAC debut, Broadway and Regional Theatre favorite). Matt is joined by local favorites Zachary Guzman (*The Drowsy Chaperone*, the Tin Man in *The Wizard of Oz*), Alannah Vaughn (*Mary Poppins*, *Hairspray*, *The Producers*), and Mackenzie Sherburne (*Putting It Together*). The 23-member acting company also includes: Mark Rubald as General Waverly, Jen Lennon as Martha, Ellie Levy & Lena Olsen sharing the role of Susan, Matt Radcliffe, Michael Miller, Adam Blancas, Rebecca Myers, Sierra Reynolds, Danine Schell, Alex Campbell, Kate Malloy, Micah Speirs, Tracy Hedding, Nate Ferrick, Josh Owen, Gavin Jucette, Jareth Spiro, Michael Lee, and Anne Stewart.

Backed by a live orchestra, under the musical direction of Jay Hahn, the entire company will sing and dance their way through "A jolly live extravaganza that only Scrooges can resist." — New York Magazine

"You'll go home happy. A sure-fire seasonal musical. I don't see how anyone who loves Broadway musicals can fail to be pleased by so polished and ingenious a show. The songs are out of Berlin's top drawer." — Terry Teachout, The Wall Street Journal

Join us for the following:

Dec 9 | Pay-what-you-wish final dress rehearsal at 7:30p

Dec 10 | Preview performance at 7:30p

Dec 12, 19, 26 and Jan 2 | Day Camp experience for kids 6-13 at 11a prior to 2p Matinee

Dec 17 | Receive a free guided backstage tour following the performance

Jan 3 | Enjoy a free talk-back session with the cast following the performance

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When: Dec 10 – Jan 3, 2016

Where: Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center, 30 W. Dale St.

Tickets: Starting at \$20

Something else: White Christmas Day Camps! Delight your young emerging artist in a magical holiday experience they won't soon forget. Our *White Christmas* Day Camps offer kids 6-13 a fun, educational experience complete with a tour of the theatre and hands on experiences with the *White Christmas* set, a dance class from a professional actor, a personal meet-and-greet with the leading characters of *White Christmas*, and more! Cost is \$30 per child (ticket to *White Christmas* performance is additional). **Available Dec 12, 19, 26 and Jan 2 at 11a.**

Even More: The FAC has a long-standing commitment to the military personnel in our community and is pleased to welcome you to our theatre. As a Blue Star participant, we are proud to offer FAC member pricing (10% discount) to military personnel on the purchase of tickets to *White Christmas*.

But Wait, There's More: Enjoy pre-theatre dining at Taste! Expand your theatre experience with an incredibly delectable Prix Fixe menu themed to the production and crafted by Garden of the Gods Gourmet.

Fine Arts Center

The Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center, established in 1936, is a privately funded, non-profit art museum, professional theatre company and arts education center. Built on the foundation of the prestigious Broadmoor Art Academy, the FAC carries the legacy of Colorado's arts and cultural heritage. One of 16 charter members of the American Association of Museums, the FAC offers the best in the world of visual arts via its permanent collection and travelling exhibitions, as a TCG member theatre company, and arts education with the Bemis School of Art. The FAC building is considered an architectural landmark in the Rocky Mountain region, designed by John Gaw Meem, and is listed on the National Register for Historical Places. For information, visit csfineartscenter.org.

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